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SUBJ: INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT ON ILLICIT PAYMENTS

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1. EMBASSY POL/ECOM COUNSELOR DELIVERED AIDE MEMOIRE AND MADE DEMARCHE REQUESTED REFTEL JUNE 28 TO JULIO EGUNO, FOREIGN MINISTRY SUB-SECRETARY FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS. EGUNO HAD WITH HIM MEMBERS OF HIS STAFF WHO HAD PARTICIPATED IN PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS WITH EMBASSY ON ILLICIT PAYMENTS AGREEMENT. WHILE EGUNO DID NOT MAKE A FIRM COMMITMENT THAT GOB WOULD SUPPORT PROPOSED US RESOLUTION FOR A DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE IN 1978, HE INDICATED THAT THE GOB WOULD PROBABLY CONTINUE TO SUPPORT IN PRINCIPLE THE EFFORT TO ACHIEVE AN INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT AND HE SAID GOB WOULD STUDY AIDE-MEMOIRE AND ADVISE EMBASSY OF ITS POSITION. EGUNO'S STAFF MENTIONED EFFORTS BY SOME COUNTRIES TO INCLUDE ILLICIT PAYMENTS UNDER CODE OF CONDUCT FOR TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS. EMBOFFF EXPLAINED THE US VIEWS ON THE NEED FOR A SEPARATE AGREEMENT AND THE GOB OFFICIALS GENERALLY AGREED.

2. EGUNO SAID THAT BOLIVIA'S MISSION IN GENEVA WOULD
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REPRESENT BOLIVIA AT THE ECOSOC CONFERENCE BUT HE WAS NOT SURE WHETHER AMBASSADOR ELIO WOULD LEAD THE BOLIVIAN DELEGATION. HE SAID ELIO WOULD PROBABLY BE RETURNING PERMANENTLY TO LA PAZ BUT HE WAS NOT AWARE EXACTLY WHEN. IN THAT CASE, HE SAID, ARMANDO LOAYZA WOULD BE IN CHARGE OF THE BOLIVIAN DELEGATION. LOAYZA WAS PREVIOUSLY IN CHARGE OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE FONMIN AND WAS THE OFFICIAL WITH WHOM POL/ECOM

COUNSELOR DEALT WITH PREVIOUSLY IN DISCUSSIONS REQUESTING BOLIVIAN SUPPORT FOR THE 1976 RESOLUTION SETTING UP THE WORKING GROUP ON ILLICIT PAYMENTS. LOAYZA IS INTELLIGENT, UNDERSTANDS FULLY THE US EFFORT TO OBTAIN AN INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT AND HE ALSO GRAPS THE REASONS FOR AN AGREEMENT SEPARATE FROM THE MNC CODE OF CONDUCT.

3. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT US ECOSOC DELEGATION OR US MISSION GENEVA TOUCH BASE WITH LOAYZA AND/OR AMBASSADOR ELIO ON THIS SUBJECT. ALSO, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO RECEIVE TEXT OF US RESOLUTION WHEN IT BECOMES AVAILABLE.

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